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Contributions to the systematics of New World macro-moths VI

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In the current volume, eight authors contributed six manuscripts on North American taxa in the Erebidae and Noctuidae. In addition to 55 taxonomic changes, ten new taxa are described from North America, including six species of *Doryodes* from the eastern United States (*D. desoto* Lafontaine & Sullivan, **sp. n.**; *D. okaloosa* Sullivan & Lafontaine, **sp. n.**; *D. fusselli* Sullivan & Lafontaine, **sp. n.**; *D. reineckei* Sullivan & Lafontaine, **sp. n.**; *D. broui* Lafontaine & Sullivan, **sp. n.**; and *D. latistriga* Sullivan & Lafontaine, **sp. n.**), two species from the western United States (*Ogdoconta margareta* Crabo, **sp. n.** and *Lacinipolia dimocki* Schmidt, **sp. n.**), and two new genera (*Paraseptis* Mustelin & Crabo, **gen. n.** and *Viridiseptis* Mustelin & Crabo, **gen. n.**). All updates and corrections to the Check List of North American Noctuoidea (Lafontaine and Schmidt 2010) since the last update in 2013 are summarized.

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